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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37. C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the office action dated September 14, 2001 received in the above-identified application, applicant hereby respectfully requests reconsideration of the application, as amended, and based on the following remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 10 as follows:

In further advantageous embodiments according to the present invention said product seizing elements by punctual contact only exert a seizing force upon said respecting flat material which

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